

**Supplemental Figure.** Plasmid profiles of both donor and recipient *V. cholerae* strains using the Kado's plasmid detection procedure. Lanes: 1, reference plasmids RP4 (TEM-2, 54 kb) and pCFF04 (TEM-3, 85 kb); 2, reference plasmid pIP173 (SHV-1, 126.8 kb); 3, *V. cholerae* donor strain; 4, *V. cholerae* recipient strain; 5, 215 kb; 6, 160 kb and 40 kb; 7; 175 kb; 8, 178 kb; 9, 158 kb.